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For: INJECTABLE HYDROGEL MICROSPHERES  
FROM AQUEOUS TWO-PHASE SYSTEM

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 37 C.F.R. §1.51(b), §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted in the above-identified patent application. A listing of the document to be published on the face of any patent granted from this application is submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449. Any other documents or information submitted for consideration by the Examiner are listed in this paper. A copy of each U.S. and foreign patent, or each publication or portion thereof listed or herein identified is submitted herewith.

The document submitted herewith, PCT WO 01/92584 A1, was cited in a Search Report issued in connection with the corresponding European application. The European Search Report pointed to Examples 7 and 8 as being relevant.

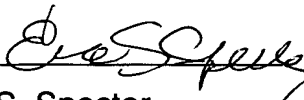
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